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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Takayuki NARITA, et al.

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MANUFACTURING THE SAME AND

DYNAMIC PRESSURE BEARING DEVICE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time extending to October 3, 2003, the period for response to the final Office Action dated April 3, 2003. A check for \$930 is enclosed. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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